



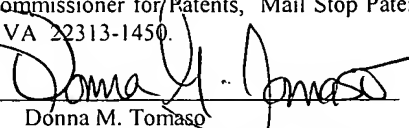
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under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)

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Atty. Docket No. 011361.00056

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Enclosed herewith is a new patent application and the following papers:

Inventor (or application identifier): **John Whitty and John T. Sickinger**

Title of Invention: **STRAIN GAUGE RETAINING ASSEMBLY FOR VEHICLE SEAT**

1. ☒ Specification 14 pages (including specification, claims, abstract) / 22 claims (3 independent)
2. ☒ Declaration/Power of Attorney is:
 - ☒ attached in the regular manner.
 - ☐ NOT included, but deferred under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f).
3. ☒ This Application has 3 distinct sheets of ☐ Formal ☒ Informal Drawings
4. ☐ Preliminary Amendment.
5. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
 - ☐ Form 1449
 - ☐ A copy of each cited prior art reference
6. ☐ Assignment with Cover Sheet.
7. ☐ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based upon the following application(s) (provisional and foreign applications):

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8. ☐ Priority document(s).
9. ☐ Small Entity Status is being hereby claimed.
10. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission.
- ☐ Computer Readable Copy.
- ☐ Paper Copy (identical to computer copy).
- ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies.

11. Calculation of Fees:

| FEES FOR | EXCESS CLAIMS | FEE | AMOUNT DUE |
|---|---------------|-------|------------------|
| Basic Filing Fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a)) | | | \$770.00 |
| Total Claims in Excess of 20 (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(c)) | 2 | 18.00 | \$36.00 |
| Independent Claims in Excess of 3 (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)) | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Multiple Dependent Claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d)) | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Subtotal - Filing Fee Due | | | \$ 806.00 |
| | MULTIPLY BY | | |
| Reduction by 50%, if Small Entity (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28) | 0.50 | | 0.00 |
| TOTAL FILING FEE DUE | | | \$ 806.00 |
| Assignment Recordation Fees (if applicable) (37 C.F.R. § 1.21(h)) | X2 | 40.00 | \$0.00 |
| GRAND TOTAL DUE | | | \$ 806.00 |

12. PAYMENT is:

- ☒ The Commissioner is authorized to debit the instant filing fee, in the amount of **\$ 806.00**, and any other fees during the pendency of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18, to **Deposit Account No. 19-0733**. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.
- ☐ not included, but deferred under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f)

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13. All correspondence for the attached application should be directed to:

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14. Other: Application Data Sheet (3 pages) and Return Postcard.

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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2004

Effective 10/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

| Large Entity | | Small Entity | | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
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| 1001 | 770 | 2001 | 385 | Utility filing fee | 770.00 |
| 1002 | 340 | 2002 | 170 | Design filing fee | |
| 1003 | 530 | 2003 | 265 | Plant filing fee | |
| 1004 | 770 | 2004 | 385 | Reissue filing fee | |
| 1005 | 160 | 2005 | 80 | Provisional filing fee | |
| SUBTOTAL (1) | | | | | (\$ 770.00) |

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

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|--------------------|----|-----|---|--------------|---|---|----------------|-------|---|----------|-------|
| Total Claims | 22 | -20 | = | Extra Claims | 2 | X | Fee from below | 18.00 | = | Fee Paid | 36.00 |
| Independent Claims | 3 | -3 | = | | 0 | X | | 0.00 | = | | 0.00 |
| Multiple Dependent | | | | | | X | | | = | | 0.00 |

| Large Entity | | Small Entity | | Fee Description |
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| 1202 | 18 | 2202 | 9 | Claims in excess of 20 |
| 1201 | 86 | 2201 | 43 | Independent claims in excess of 3 |
| 1203 | 290 | 2203 | 145 | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid |
| 1204 | 86 | 2204 | 43 | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent |
| 1205 | 18 | 2205 | 9 | ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |

SUBTOTAL (2) \$ 806.00

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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| 1051 | 130 | 2051 | 65 | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath | |
| 1052 | 50 | 2052 | 25 | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet. | |
| 1053 | 130 | 1053 | 130 | Non-English specification | |
| 1812 | 2,520 | 1812 | 2,520 | For filing a request for reexamination | |
| 1804 | 920* | 1804 | 920* | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action | |
| 1805 | 1,840* | 1805 | 1,840* | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action | |
| 1251 | 110 | 2251 | 55 | Extension for reply within first month | |
| 1252 | 420 | 2252 | 210 | Extension for reply within second month | |
| 1253 | 950 | 2253 | 475 | Extension for reply within third month | |
| 1254 | 1,480 | 2254 | 740 | Extension for reply within fourth month | |
| 1255 | 2,010 | 2255 | 1,005 | Extension for reply within fifth month | |
| 1401 | 330 | 2401 | 165 | Notice of Appeal | |
| 1402 | 330 | 2402 | 165 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | |
| 1403 | 290 | 2403 | 145 | Request for oral hearing | |
| 1451 | 1,510 | 1451 | 1,510 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding | |
| 1452 | 110 | 2452 | 55 | Petition to revive - unavoidable | |
| 1453 | 1,330 | 2453 | 665 | Petition to revive - unintentional | |
| 1501 | 1,330 | 2501 | 665 | Utility issue fee (or reissue) | |
| 1502 | 480 | 2502 | 240 | Design issue fee | |
| 1503 | 640 | 2503 | 320 | Plant issue fee | |
| 1460 | 130 | 1460 | 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner | |
| 1807 | 50 | 1807 | 50 | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17 (q) | |
| 1806 | 180 | 1806 | 180 | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt | |
| 8021 | 40 | 8021 | 40 | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | |
| 1809 | 770 | 2809 | 385 | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a)) | |
| 1810 | 770 | 2810 | 385 | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b)) | |
| 1801 | 770 | 2801 | 385 | Request for Continued Examination (RCE) | |
| 1802 | 900 | 1802 | 900 | Request for expedited examination of a design application | |

Other fee (specify) _____

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SUBTOTAL (3) (\$)

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